

TIDINGS newsletter

Visitor News for May 2021



Stay In or Step Out this Spring!

Spring is in full bloom and it's the perfect time to explore Calvert County! Enjoy in-person, outdoor events like the Solomons Maritime Festival or guided archaeology hikes at Jefferson Patterson Park. Or, spend a quiet afternoon learning a new skill in a virtual class from the comfort of your home. Check out Calvert County's <u>Calendar of Events</u> for family-friendly ideas!





Soar into the new Calvert County Birding Trail

Whether you've never picked up a pair of binoculars before or you're an experienced birder, you are sure to find some interesting feathered friends in Calvert County! According to the Maryland Ornithological Society, Calvert County has had over 330 reported bird species. Most of the county is rural and habitats include tidal wetlands, freshwater marshes, beaches, forests,

meadows, bay and river shorelines and even a cypress swamp. Calvert County is home to both common and notable bird species. <u>Visit us online</u> and explore our interactive birding map!

Farmers Markets are Open

Calvert's seasonal farmers markets offer locally grown produce, fresh-baked goods, flowers, craft beverages, honey and bee

products and much more! Held at multiple locations throughout the county, farmers markets provide a safe, one-stop shopping experience. Vendors and product selection will vary at each location. Explore our Farmers Market page and discover fresh shopping options near you!





Picnic in the Parks

The Calvert County Departments of Parks & Recreation and Economic Development have relaunched a successful cooperative effort this spring called <u>Picnic in the Parks</u>. This program focuses on supporting local businesses while enjoying all our local parks have to offer. Visitors to county parks will see banners for Picnic in the Parks with QR codes on them. Scan the QR code with your phone to access a map that lists restaurants in the area offering take out or

delivery options. Picnic in the Parks banners can be found at Cove Point Park, Dunkirk District Park and Hallowing Point Park.

Virtual Backgrounds for your Next Zoom Meeting

The Department of Economic Development offers free scenic backgrounds for your next virtual event. With the click of a button, transport yourself to a spring day at Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center or a summer afternoon at North Beach. Don't forget to take a group screenshot with



your squad! <u>Visit our backgrounds page</u> to download an array of free Calvert County backgrounds today.



Expand Your Horizons and Explore Calvert County

The 2021 Calvert County Visitors Guide is now available! Use this colorful guide to plan a day out in Calvert County!

To get your free copy, <u>visit online</u> and download a PDF or fill out a brochure request form.

Lean on Us

Even though we're not physically in the office, Calvert County Economic Development staff are available to you by email or phone, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. Reach out – whether you need help, have a great idea or just want to check in and let us know how you are doing. We'd love to hear from you! <u>Email</u> or call 410-535-4583. And as we navigate our recovery, don't forget that businesses can check our dedicated <u>recovery web page</u> for updates, advice and information.



Stay safe, save lives

Taking strong precautionary actions to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus protects your family, your friends and your neighbors. We will get through this together.

We will continue to share the latest updates surrounding our county's response to COVID-19 including any precautionary measures, guidance and closures through a virtual resource center. You can also receive updates on Calvert County Government's Facebook page and Comcast Channel 6 and 1070 HD.

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